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CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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FAITH, LOVE, AND POWER

The Holy Ghost is on His Job, And Will Finish His Work.

TONGUES BY THE HOLY GHOST MUST NOT BE IGNORED.

We are told by the Scriptures that we cannot please God without faith. If this is true, then, according to the testimony of some I have heard, they are not pleasing God, because they say they have no faith. If they are not pleasing God they must be under condemnation. If they are under condemnation there must be something wrong.

We conclude then, that if we cannot please God without faith it must be an important substance to possess. Every true child of God has a desire to please Him, who has redeemed us from our sins, and to do this, there must be some faith.

If faith is required in order to have God pleased with an individual, then I conclude the more faith one has the more he will please Him, and the less faith he has the less God will be pleased. Then if this analogy is true it is to our interest to have much faith so we can please God greatly.

If one has a little faith and by this he pleases God a little, there should be some way to procure an increase of faith. This, then, would call for a prayer similar to the one prayed by the disciples, "Lord increase our faith." And if there is any way for it to be cultivated and thereby increased, that should also be practiced. I have read of our father Abraham of whom it is said he believed God. If the history concerning this great man is read carefully it will be noticed that he obeyed the commands of the Lord without hesitation. Little by little the Lord led him along until the final climax was reached when he was called upon by the Lord to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice. He is called the father of the faithful, and he staggered not at the promises because of unbelief.

Faith is mentioned by Paul in his letter to the Corinthians and placed in a rank closely connected with hope and charity. Of these he says, "And now abideth faith, hope, charity." Faith is mentioned as the first one although it is clearly stated that "the greatest of these is charity." But although charity is the greatest, faith is indispensable. Without it the Bible would be worth nothing to us. This is the great factor that makes the Bible so valuable and makes us appreciate it so much.

Faith is active. It has life in it. It is a life producer. Paul says, "Faith that worketh by love." It accomplishes something when it works. The things for which we pray may not always materialize just as we hope or expect, but faith performs its part of the work. Abraham became willing to offer his son as a sacrifice and he accounted that God was able to raise him from the dead to fulfill the promises, but instead of raising him from the dead He miraculously delivered him from death at the very last moment when Abraham had raised his hand to strike the final blow.

James tells us of a faith that is dead. But this kind will never remove mountains. It will not cast the trees into the sea. There is really nothing to it more than a blank profession. It will feed no one. It will clothe no one. When Jesus fed the multitude with the five

loaves and two fishes, there was some work being done. The people had to sit down on the grass in ranks of fifties and hundreds. The disciples had to carry and distribute. Jesus Himself broke the bread and handed it to the disciples. There was work about the matter. Paul wrote the Thessalonian church and told them that he remembered this "work of faith."

It is hardly expected that I will introduce anything new about the subject of love, for this is a matter that concerns everybody, and everybody has something to say about it. It may be enough to call to mind a few things already known. In touching this subject when writing to the Thessalonians Paul told them that there was no need of his writing them on the subject, "for," said he, "ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another." It is true that God teaches love to every one, and if the teaching is accepted, and all are apt scholars in this school all will learn.

Paul tells us that without love everything else is of no value. One may speak well, prophesy, understand mysteries, have all knowledge, all faith and remove mountains by it, yet all is vain without love. Some one has said that the greatest thing in the world is love.

It is known that it was because of the love God had for this lost world that He gave His only Son for its redemption. It was love that prompted our Savior to take upon Himself the nature of man and show Himself as a man here in this world that He could lift its inhabitants from their lowest degradation. It is love that prompts the children of God to make sacrifices and go forth telling the glorious good news of salvation.

Faith, love and power are to work together in the evangelization of this lost world. Faith alone will not do it. Love alone is not sufficient. All power and no love and faith and it is a failure. Power is a great factor in this last great conflict, but it must be turned on through faith and love to bring the best results.

Power, no matter how powerful, must be turned on to the object to be moved in order to bring the best results. Water power must be turned on through a wheel for the purpose, electrical power must be turned on through a motor, and that motor must be attached or geared to the object to be moved or else there is nothing good accomplished. The power of God is turned on through certain channels.

The Lord had an object in instituting His Church. We do not believe it was merely an organization for social purposes of which people can be members to propagate their own interests only. While the social features are not to be despised and the interests of the members are not to be ignored, yet we conclude there is more to it than that alone. It is evident that the great Church of God was instituted for this purpose that through it God can make a display of His power to this world.

This feature was very prominent in the early Church. Jesus told His disciples that they should

receive power. They received it and made a great display of it as history shows. The sick were miraculously healed, miracles were performed, the dead was raised, the gospel was preached, prison doors were opened, angels appeared and walked and talked with people, money was collected for use in caring for the Lord's people while they spread the gospel, places were mightily shaken, and no doubt many things occurred that were never recorded.

It has been said, "Power belongeth unto God," and He delights to demonstrate it through His people. It was true with David, it was true with Elijah and hundreds of others, but the greatest demonstrations of His power to save people from sin and heal their bodies were made through His Church, both the Church in the wilderness and of the gospel day.

No doubt many people outside the Church are praying for God's power to be given them that they may render efficient service to Him, and no doubt they are receiving some assistance in that respect, but the greatest power will be demonstrated in the last days through His Church, as has been the case in earlier history.

James and James (2 Tim. 3: 8.) did great things when they turned their rods into serpents, water into blood, and brought up frogs, but Moses and Aaron went so far beyond them that they were put to shame before the multitude. Simon Magus was recognized as a great factor in demonstrating power, but when Philip went to Samaria and began to demonstrate by casting out devils and performing miracles, Simon was put to shame and his reputation as a great power was lost.

The Church has always outstripped everything else and always will. She has gone beyond in these last days. She is steadily growing in favor with God and man. There is a great heart cry now in our people for greater things. This is an evidence that they will be given, for surely God is putting this desire into our hearts He wants to demonstrate to the world. He shall have a chance to do it. The Church is rising and growing larger in numbers. Greater things are constantly developing. There is a sound of an abundance of rain. We feel it in our very bones. He shall have a chance to demonstrate. We are going to meet His requirements so He will be delighted to bestow His power.

With such as this in constant expectancy who would not want to be a good true member? Who would want to remain outside where there can be no hope of any special demonstration? The promises are to the Church. The instructions are to the Church. The plans are arranged for the Church. The laws to govern are in the Church. The power is for the Church. The gifts are for the Church. Beauty is for the Church. The translation power will be put upon the Church.

The preparation time is on and the Holy Ghost is on His job, and will finish His work so that the Church will be presented to the Lord. (Eph. 5:27.) It will be glorious. It will be free from spot or wrinkle. It will be without blemish. The power will be displayed more and more as we approach that time.

Faith, love and power are special features noticeable among our people. Outside people express themselves some times about our great faith. They sometimes say they never saw any people love one another

like the Church of God people do. They say the power is wonderful among us as miracles are performed before their eyes. They often hear people speak in other tongues and the messages are often understood by those who have a knowledge of other languages. And truly the tongues by the Holy Ghost must not be ignored.

Instead of becoming slack about tongues we must become more interested in them. Instead of having the power to cease manifesting itself we should and must encourage it. If we cut out the manifestations and demonstrations of the Holy Ghost in our meetings and homes we will fall into dead formality in only a very few days. But we will not do this. We are going to yield to

God and His power and say, "Lord, have your way." He must have His way with these bodies that we claim for they belong to Him. "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." (1 Cor. 6:19, 20.) If these bodies belong to God He has a perfect right to control them. And if they can be used in any manner to demonstrate the power of God for His glory there should surely be no resistance on the part of the members.

I am fully convinced that we should make a special effort to draw near to the Lord, and refrain from anything that would

in the least degree hinder our spiritual progress in order that we may receive from God more of His power for healings, miracles and preaching this wonderful gospel of the kingdom. Paul was a mighty man of God and he both preached and acted. He was an eloquent man and powerful in the Scriptures and was also a demonstrator by mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God." (Rom. 15:19.) Paul spoke of being a spectacle (theater—marginal reading) to the world, to angels and to men.

There are many reasons why our faith, love and power should be increased, but probably the greatest reason is that we might be better able to carry the gospel message to the ends of the world.

THE COMING OF THE GREAT CITY

Shares Can be Had in The City Now; Tomorrow May be Too Late.

The Chance of a Life Time! Angels Would Like to Have This Privilege.

L. HOWARD JULLIEN.

Are you looking for the best place to locate? For the most wonderful city to live in of which this country has ever heard? Read this leaflet from beginning to the end and be convinced.

Great preparations are being made to make this the most wonderful city ever known. When completed it will be the most healthful, most beautiful, most delightful, as well as the most costly, palatial and royal of any city ever fancied. Bathed by the most ethereal breezes, situated in the most pleasant site imaginable, and looking upon a panorama of hundreds of miles of earth's cities, mountains and sparkling streams, the most delightful ever seen by man.

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People of this country, and in fact this whole world, have traveled in vain to find a spot where they would be immune from the many plagues and afflictions that infest the very air. Millions of dollars have been expended to visit congenial climes and health resorts; millions of people have languished with slow consuming diseases, racked with torture and pain vainly seeking a remedy. Millions have suffered from excessive heat and bitter cold, from death dealing plagues and destructive storms. Rivers of tears have been shed by countless myriads of despairing, destitute, bereaved or suffering mortals. The groans and shrieks of the oppressed, wronged and dying have re-echoed through the starry vaults for centuries.

But—in this city we find the panacea for all these troubles; here no tears are ever shed, no groans are ever heard; there is no cold to numb one's limbs, no heat to burn or make life burdensome, no sickness to waste

the vital powers, no feet are ever weary from the grinding toil, not even disappointments to throw a gloom on one's spirit. The cheeks here bloom with eternal youth, every one is young, beautiful and in the best of health. The breast from all sorrow here is free, for joy supreme has banished it away. The cold can never enter there, no blasting heat an entrance gains. No sultry or cloudy days, but the mildest, balmy, most salubrious and equitable climate ever conceived in mortal mind is here to be found.

Not only this, but a home of architecture rare and exquisite design, of taste so fine as to perfectly satisfy the utmost longings of the soul. These palatial homes are not made of wood or brick or stone to domicile a passing generation or two, but are built of eternal materials such as never decay or crumble with the oncoming ages. The streets are not paved with stone or asphalt smooth, but of the purest gold and run the length and breadth of the entire city, being fifteen hundred miles long. Can mortal mind conceive of streets or boulevards of such length and smoothness such as here?

The city itself is really made of gold—yes, gold of quality so pure as to resemble clear glass. A massive wall of jasper upon twelve foundations garnished with all manner of precious stones such as for splendor, brilliancy and size had ever been forbidden mortal ken, is seen to surround this city. Entrance is gained through twelve gates, three on each side, each gate of one gigantic pearl is made and they are never shut at all by day, for there is no night there. No dirt or smoke as modern cities have, no fights no brawls as are heard from dens and dives, no cursing or unseemly talk are uttered, they are forever barred. No tramps, beggars or despondent souls, but all are radiant with a joy that can't be told. Oh, such a happy jubilant and exultant throng as walk the streets of gold! Oh, such music as they sing the anthems sweet of souls redeemed from hell's dark night! Oh, such shouts of praises as to their King they bow and give Him glory evermore as ages roll! Such singing and shouting blend into praise that ravishes the soul. The glory of the King eternal does light up the city with a dazzling and enchanting beauty.

Oh, in such a place there is no

care or worry, for is not this their own possession now as with their King they reign—their King and Bridegroom most beloved, the One altogether lovely! The bride is enamored with her Bridegroom and He with her and such liquid words of love divine and looks of love so rare—ah! here is perfect love, perfect bliss, immortal felicity. O soul, now satisfy thyself for the ages of the ages in a world of endless love!

Who can express the joys of the Bride of the King of glory? There is nothing—absolutely nothing here for which heart could long; all the resources of the universe have contributed in the building of this city; a mind that's more than mortal is its maker and ruler and the glories of the myriads of worlds cannot surpass this masterpiece of a master mind! The One who holds the worlds in their courses shall dwell there and from His throne a pure river of water of life clear as crystal proceeds whose banks are lined with the tree of life bearing twelve kinds of luscious fruit, the finest ever seen.

Nothing old, hackneyed or worn, nothing shoddy, shabby or tumble down is here, but all things are new, eternally glorious, eternally radiant. Eternal health, eternal happiness, eternal contentment, eternal glory is assured in this city. No water rents, no house rents, no taxes, no debts, no fuel bills, no mortgages, no assessments, no drouths, no floods, no freezes, no famines, no pestilences, no curses, no tears, no sickness, no worries, no pains, no sad partings no heartaches, no groans, no sobs no earthquakes, no hurricanes, no cyclones, no danger of fire, no accidents, no tired feelings, no cemeteries, no hospitals, no drug stores, no hearses, no saloons, no dens, no graft, no scheming, no lying, no troubles, no hunger, no thirst, no hatred, no envy, no jealousy, no back-biting, no ill feeling, no liars, no abominations, no uncleanness, no sin. Every thing that the Architect of the ages could plan and devise, everything that a heart of infinite love could conceive has been put into this city for the highest enjoyment and happiness of its inhabitants. These sayings are true. No land scheme or moneymaking plot in this; no swindling or cheating or lying, for these are unknown in this city.

Now the name of it is "New Jerusalem"—the Coming City—the Capitol of the World—the Home of the King and His Bride (the overcomers of earth, the followers of Jesus.) YOU are invited to share in its glory, to

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The work of the Council was very pleasant. The necessary information will be given soon.

Please do your best to help increase the number of subscriptions to the Evangel.

There will be some little changes made in the monthly reports of the churches, authorized by the Council, but we will continue the order we have been following since the Assembly until full instructions can be given and changes made.

We wish to inform our friends again that we do not handle R. E. Winsett's song books, neither does he handle our Sunday-school literature. Brother Winsett and this office have to keep up a continual exchange because many seem to think we are all the same firm. Please remember we are not the same, so it is necessary to separate your orders.

We had a very pleasant time in the Council discussing the Divorce and Remarriage question. We believe there were some developments that will prove a great influence in the final settlement. Greater light and more perfect knowledge have been the means of settling many questions. Steps are being taken now to reach a conclusion in this matter. We feel safe in saying that when the truth is perfectly revealed it will not be as many have expected.

We are still begging for more new subscribers. This truth must go to the ends of the earth, and the Evangel is a great factor in this matter, but it cannot go without the assistance of its lovers. Many are helping, for which we are glad. We want others to take a greater interest. We are sending out many blanks to be used to make subscription lists. Hope all who receive them will do your best to fill them full of names. We want names and dollars, but if they should be only names and fifty cents and quarters that will be better than no names at all. We want names and names, because, without names, we cannot send out the paper. We cannot remunerate our helpers, but I believe God will reward those who faithfully toil and labor to get their friends and neighbors to subscribe.

Notice.

I wish to purchase twenty acres or more of good land where there is a Church of God in the community. Correspondance desired from parties having to sell. Address A. W. Childers R 1 Box 42, Falkville, Ala.

HINTS TO BISHOPS AND DEACONS.

Z. R. THOMAS

"This is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be (obliged to be) blameless, (innocent, guiltless,) the husband of one wife (not having more than one), vigilant (attentive to discover and avoid danger; watchful; circumspect)." Now this means that a bishop must keep on the lookout for the enemy, the wolf in sheep's clothing and not allow any false teaching to creep in when it is possible to keep it out. Paul said: "Though we, are an angel from heaven, should preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. Gal. 1:8.

"Sober, (not drunken in any degree; self-controlled; moderate; steady; cool; sedate; unruffled by passion,) of good behavior, given to hospitality (kind to strangers and guests), apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, (trying to force things) not greedy of filthy lucre; (profit; gain); but patient, not a brawler (quarrelsome or contentious person), not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity (his children obey when he speaks to them and that without murmuring or complaining); for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God? Not a novice (a beginner) lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.

Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. This means that he must or shall have a good report of the folks who are outside of the Church of God inasmuch that no one can truthfully say ought against him.

Now, Brother Bishop, without measuring up to this Word you cannot be a real Biblical bishop in the Church of God.

Dear Brother Deacon, your time comes next. What do you think about the next three verses? "Likewise must the deacons be (obliged to be, or shall be, and cannot be a Biblical deacon without being) grave (serious; solemn), not doubletongued (not talking too much or talking two ways, being deceitful), not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre (gain; profit); holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. (Your motive must be pure in every respect.) Let these also first first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon being found blameless."

Dear Sister Deaconess, what do you think of the eleventh verse? It belongs to you. "Even so must their wives be (shall be, or their husbands cannot fill the office of a deacon according to the Word of God) grave, not slanderers, (going about speaking evil about their neighbors, but loving them as themselves,) sober," (not drunken in any degree, not even with pride, style, fashion the cares of this world, or anything else that would keep them from being sober.)

Listen again, sister! "Faithful in all things." This means faithful to God in everything His Word teaches you to do. It means for you to love your husband and obey him. (Gen. 3:16, Eph. 5:24, 1 Tim. 3:11, 12.) It means for you to love your children if you have any and help your husband control them and bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. It means for you to trust God for the healing of your body when you get sick and many other things which, for lack of space, we will not mention.

Now, back to Brother Deacon. "Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife (not more than one), ruling their children (if they

Again the elders together have met, For April 4, 1918 the time was set. With promptness they all came to their post And none were late but one at the most.

From Tennessee they come full six strong, From five other states come the other six along. Over the items to be considered we've closely looked, And our opinions on each have been carefully booked.

The churches are looking to see what we do, Doubtless they expect us to carry everything thro.' They want to know who gets money and how much, And what the financial system and all such.

They want to know about the bride and who's the beast And we must give them something at the very least. If you don't know about his mark and all You may miss it by being in the bridal call.

The overseer and elders all agree to this, For none desire the Marriage you or any shall miss. To know of ministers, tithe and houses the amount These all will be taken into full account.

Of marriage and divorce the truth you all would know How hard we have labored that this we could show. Of school, assembly and missions, home and foreign too, We've talked and considered what is the best to do.

Strenuous days, these, we've labored almost night and day To get thro' and to other needy fields haste away. To learn the conclusions to which here we have come The paper and reports to assembly will give some.

have children) and their own houses well."—1 Tim. 3:1—12.

Now, Brother Deacon, if you fail to rule your house and surely this includes your wife and children, you cannot be a Biblical deacon in the Church of God.

May God bless you all and help all of us to get closer to Him.

Notice.

The Alabama State Assembly will convene at Alabama City May 24—26. All who wish to attend are invited. Brother M. S. Lemons will be with us and dedicate the new church on Sunday. A programme will be arranged later.

All ministers are requested to send in subjects for consideration to overseer of state. J. B. Ellis.

Walbridge, Ohio.

Dear Evangel Readers:

After having sought the Lord for one year and going to the altar at the United Brethren Church many times, I became discouraged about salvation as I invariably failed to receive enough of God to keep me sweet in my soul very long at a time.

A few weeks ago I was invited to attend the meetings at Toledo, Ohio and met Brother and Sister Haynes and Brother Martin.

I enjoyed the meetings so much I went back on Sunday afternoon and evening. The song and praise service was glorious. I asked God to give me that wonderful experience.

When Brother Haynes opened his Bible the wall back of him seemed to open. Jesus then appeared and walked to me and held my hands. Oh! how frightened I was until He took my hands in His; then I told Him the story of my life and I heard Him say, "Child, have peace."

At this juncture there opened a wonderful window and the sun shone on the most yellow of straw, and there rested a baby with the mother kneeling by its side. Slowly this scene faded and the room filled with beautiful white flowers and wings. I could feel my face being fanned.

When I became conscious of my surroundings I could not speak a word except in other tongues. I know I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, for I spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

I am now a member of the

The Elders' Council

SAM C. PERRY

FAITH, LOVE, AND POWER

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come and live there for the ages of the ages, lay down your burdens and make your home with God.

No need of theaters, parks, shows, festivals, or picnics there for we shall see Him face to face whose presence far transcends all earthly delights, whose smile is more than tongue can tell.

Shares can be had in this city now; tomorrow may be too late. No wise person will allow such a golden opportunity to pass by. The chance of a lifetime! Angels would like to have this privilege—the decisive moment for your eternal interests.

The Spirit is His agent introducing you to the King of the City and He now wants to enroll your name in the Lamb's Book of Life where all its citizens are registered. Will you let Him do it now? Now is the time.

Those who are already enrolled long for you to share with them these glorious and eternal blessings. The Spirit is urging you now. Strange one must be urged to accept such an offer. You will never, in this world nor in the next one, have such an offer. Men nor angels have ever had or heard of an opportunity like this. It baffles all description, must be seen to be fully appreciated. You may see it and enjoy it forever if you will. It is all left with you. If you miss it your loss forever is indescribable.

THE FLORIDA STATE CAMPMEETING

At Wimauma will begin on May 16, and continue for 10 days.

The Florida preachers are expected to do the preaching.

Beginning on Monday May 20, we expect to have a State Assembly for three or four days. During this time the day services will be given to the discussion of subjects of vital interest to the church and Sunday school work, and the night to evangelistic services.

If there are those who have subjects which they would like to discuss or have discussed during this session, if they will communicate with us at once we will be glad to consider such subjects, and arrange for their discussion in so far as they are in keeping with the spirit and usefulness of the meeting.

The ladies' dormitory will be prepared for the comfort of the ladies, and we expect to fit up a house for the accommodation of the men. These buildings are free to visitors. But every one should bring quilts, sheets, etc., for their own use so far as convenient.

We expect to have a restaurant on the grounds where all can get meals, etc., at reasonable rates.

For any further information relative to the camp meeting write Brother W. S. Caruthers, Wimauma, Fla.

We desire to extend a hearty invitation to all readers of the Evangel to attend this meeting, and let us pray God to make it a great success for Him.

Yours for the fullness, Sam C. Perry.

Request.

I desire your prayers that I may be saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and healed. I want to meet my little girl whom the Lord called home on Dec. 25, 1917.

May Kisting.

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The title describes the contents of the book.

This book contains information that, if read, will no doubt be a blessing to our people at this time. Single copy, post paid \$1.35.

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Evangelists Notice.

Read this carefully and do not misunderstand. We now have the new certificate forms ready and according to the ruling of the last Assembly it will be necessary for all the Evangelists to have their credentials renewed.

DO NOT STOP READING YET.

To avoid such a rush at the central office we will call them in by sections. Please do not send until your section is called. The first section will include all west of the Mississippi river.

Be it known to all Evangelists of the Church of God now laboring west of the Mississippi river, that on and after the fifth day of February 1918, your old credentials are declared null and void, and, therefore, you are hereby authorized to send your old credentials to the principle office at Cleveland, Tenn., to have them replaced with new ones that are good for 1918.

SECOND SECTION.

The State of Alabama:

Be it known to all Evangelists now laboring in the state of Alabama that on and after February 15 your old credentials are declared null and void and you are hereby authorized to send same to the head office at Cleveland, Tenn., for renewal.

THIRD SECTION.

La., Miss., and Georgia:

Be it known to all the Evangelists, now laboring in Louisiana, Mississippi and Georgia, that on and after February 25 your old credentials are declared null and void and you are hereby authorized to send same to the head office at Cleveland, Tenn., for renewal.

FOURTH SECTION.

Fla., N. C., S. C.

Be it known to all the Evangelists whose church membership is in Florida, North Carolina, and South Carolina, that on and after March 25, 1918, your old credentials are declared null and void, and you are hereby authorized to send same to the head office at Cleveland, Tenn., for renewal.

These four sections are all we will call in at this time. The balance in any state or territory will be good until called for. Please do not misunderstand and send in before your time.

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Notice.

We are expecting to be at Point Texas about May 20, D. V., and to go from there to Paris, Texas, about June 1, at which time we expect to have our meeting for that district. From there we expect to go to Lyra for a meeting in that district.

These meetings are for teaching and general instructions which are necessary for all and especially the officers of the church. I want to ask all of the evangelists, deacons and workers to be present at these meetings. Come praying and expecting a good time from the Lord.

Your unworthy servant, Geo. T. Broayer.

Notice.

The revival at Dora, Ala., begins the first Sunday in May (D. V.). Brother W. F. Bryant and Brother L. A. Richard will be with us.

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T. A. Richard, pastor.

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What is The Use of Speaking in Tongues? If They be of God, Why Reject Them?

SAM C. PERRY.

We are eternity bound. Heaven awaits us if we please God. Hell awaits those who do not. We do not have to make a way to reach either place. "There is a way." God commands us to walk in His way.

Many mysterious things are in and along the way. God does not offer to explain all, we do not walk by sight, but by faith. He says, "Be born again," "Be ye holy," and "Be filled with the Spirit." What does it all mean? We do not know, but we undertake to obey Him any way, and He who does understand carries us through.

Abraham did not question but went to the task of obedience. So with all of God's servants, Joseph, Daniel and the Hebrew children and others. They were doubtless puzzled over the providences that brought such inconveniences and suffering, but they spent no time questioning over it.

Peter, James, John and Paul no doubt could have asked many questions as to their sufferings and disappointments while in the service of the Lord. But they did not.

Joel had said, "God will pour out His Spirit." John Baptist had said, "He shall baptize with the Holy Ghost and fire." Jesus said, "I will send you another Comforter, even the Spirit of truth." It came to pass fully upon all the disciples. They were filled, powerfully. They spake with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. It had been said "They shall speak with new tongues." No doubt about it. Pure clean people, they were, and this was a gift from heaven. Cornelius and his household did the same thing, as also the brethren at Ephesus and Corinth and there are thousands upon thousands today who have had a like blessing.

Why speak in tongues? For the very same reason they did at Pentecost and everywhere else. Jesus said believers "shall speak." Saint Paul said they are "for a sign." He also said they edify. And if interpreted, are equal to prophecy. See 1 Cor. 14:5. Paul did not forbid to speak in tongues, but said "Pray that ye may interpret." If he had stopped them from speaking, as some would do today, there would be no use for that command. Jesus said when the Spirit is given "He shall testify of me." See John 15:26. So He spake when He came into the individual heart and life which is His temple. Some say the life and testimony they give to the world is His testimony. Then please tell us where is your testimony, if that be true.

Some say when God saved them they spoke with a new tongue. But at Pentecost, Cornelius' household and Ephesus, they spake with other tongues, meaning languages. If this were not the case, why pray for interpretation?

"Tongues shall cease," some one says. Yes, "prophecies fail," "tongues cease" and "knowledge vanishes away," but I should hope your knowledge and prophecy has not yet gone, they will all remain until the career of the church on earth is finished, but all are needed until that time.

"Do all speak with tongues?" "And are all apostles, prophets, teachers, or workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing?" "But covet earnestly the best gifts." The apostle is speaking of Gifts. A gift is in the control of the one possessing it. Hence regulation for the use of the gifts was necessary. But when the Spirit was received they spoke with "tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance," the Spirit will regulate this. But if this were not true, and the

speaking in tongues were a gift possessed only by a few, and one of the least at that, why should not the advocates of this theory have at least a few examples in their midst? We do not contend that all who have the Holy Ghost, possess the gift of tongues, but when the Holy Ghost comes in as at Pentecost, He will give the manifestation of tongues.

Some say that Satan counterfeits the speaking in tongues. I do not deny this, for he counterfeits every teaching of Jesus Christ, and even counterfeits the Christ Himself in the anti-christ who is to come.

The greatest satisfaction in the Christian life must come from the greatest conformity to the New Testament precept and example. Therefore those who have received the Spirit and spoken in other tongues must have a greater degree of satisfaction and soul rest, than those who have not.

Men contend that at Pentecost the apostles spoke in tongues in order to be able to preach to the foreigners about them. But if so, why did all the one hundred and twenty, both men and women, speak? There is absolutely no evidence to sustain this contention. But if it should have been so, why then, did Cornelius (Acts 10) and his household and the Ephesian brethren (Acts 19) speak in tongues?

It may be that tongues were for the use of preaching to foreigners, but if so, the other uses already stated are made more prominent—namely, they accompanied the reception of the Holy Ghost, were for a sign to the unbeliever, edified the one speaking, and under certain conditions were a great blessing to the church.

Why then question the use of tongues any more than anything else that is of divine origin? Isaiah (Chap. 28, 11) and Jesus prophesied (Mark 16, 17) of God's people speaking in other tongues. It was made a reality to the church at Pentecost, and appeared many times after that. The apostle Paul gloried in the fact that he excelled in this practice (1 Cor. 14) and gave directions as to its use, showing that it was permanent in the church.

If men are powerfully saved from sin, its nature and practice, and wait upon God as at Pentecost, and are filled with the Holy Ghost in like manner as the disciples, we cannot see why any candid Bible reader can object.

Many thousands in modern times have received the Holy Ghost and spoken in other tongues, or languages. There are hundreds of witnesses among unsaved people who have testified to this fact, and while this is true, there are thousands of professed Christians, people who claim to believe all the Bible, who, without any investigation whatever, class such as the most rank and wild-eyed fanatics. To many, Mormons, Spiritualists or most anything else is not quite so outlandish or strange as the people who speak in other tongues. If such a thing were so foreign to the Bible as it is horrible to some professors of religion, then we might well look strange at it and give it a wide berth. But brethren, its in your Bible.

Why not call a man a pervert for desiring justification or the witness of the Spirit, as well as for speaking in tongues? Isn't there sufficient proof that the disciples spoke in tongues? What evidence have we, then, that it has been done away? No more than we have that the Spirit and Word are not the same.

Shall we reject from our fellowship those who are guilty of

nothing more than that they believe in speaking in other tongues, as in the Bible?

Men and women who have repented of sin confessed and made restitution and gone to the very bottom, trusted the cleansing blood and further tarried to be filled with the Holy Ghost, that they might make their calling and election sure, perverted? Is it such a crime to want the fullness of God, that He turns such seekers over to Satan as a just punishment? And that professed Christians must treat them as hypnotizers, witches or practitioners of strange arts? If so when we ask bread we get a stone. But not so, we get what we ask.

"If ye being evil know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him." This is what we seek, not gifts, feeling or manifestations, when He comes He manifests Himself.

Most certainly there were cases where the speaking in tongues was abused, but no evidence that it was done away. The fact remains that the noblest body of God's people who ever lived on earth spoke in tongues by the power of the Holy Ghost. Condemn and dispute it if you please, but so long as you do so, you will not possess all that was enjoyed by those who were thus exercised.

Let others treat this subject as they may, but as for us we will never be satisfied short of that fullness of love and power which made the early church to speak in other tongues.

The Districts of Florida And Their Overseers.

After taking time to consider the needs of the state we desire to report the following arrangement. The name of the district overseer and the churches and appointments of that district follow the name of the district.

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ness of the churches in their respective districts. Read paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 12 on pages 35 and 36 of the last minutes, for information regarding district overseers and their duties.

In case any matters arise in the church that need attention do not write the state overseer or General overseer, but first call the attention of the district overseer to the matter and if he cannot adjust it, then the state overseer may be called upon.

We trust that all will understand this and that everything will move on satisfactorily.

Your humble servant,
Sam C. Perry,
Overseer of Fla.
Wimauma, Fla.

Eupora, Miss.

Dear Editor:

On the 8th inst., the writer spent the night at Brother J. F. Holland's, as is his custom when in this community, and enjoyed the comforts of this consecrated home where the wayfarer as well as the Christian worker always finds a hearty welcome and that charity which seeketh not her own but another's.

After supper Brother C. A. Churchill and Brother Grant Williams, Sister Stephens and Miss Della Howe came in and engaged in singing, and oh! such singing as charms and fills the soul with that understanding that comes from above. It was evident to the writer that the Lord was going to visit the place.

At the close of the third song Brother Churchill fell prostrate on the floor crying mightily unto the Lord for His power and Spirit. All the while the saints present were praying and wrestling Jacob like with that faith that will take no denial until the blessing is bestowed.

After much agonizing Brother Churchill arose from his prostrate position speaking as the Spirit gave utterance. Sister Della Howe handled fire in the fire place and also the heated lamp with perfect impunity.

Brother Churchill announced an appointment for Wednesday night following. The saints present seemed to think the Lord had truly sent them a preacher as well as an unction from on high. Amid much rejoicing the saints returned to their homes.

Respt. and fraternally,
V. J. Bell.

Notice.

I wish to inform the Hayeville district that we will hold the district assembly at Tusquitee church on Friday and Saturday, April 26, 27, 1918, with Brother O. C. Martin, district overseer. We will likely have services there during the following week. Everybody is invited.

A district assembly will be held at Erastus, N. C. May 10, 11, with Brother C. T. Coggins, district overseer of Erastus, Bryson City, and Alarka.

We will be at Asheville May 24, 25 and hold the district assembly with Brother J. H. Brooks, district overseer of Asheville district which includes Asheville, Canton and Sunburst churches.

Everybody is invited to attend these meetings and especially each church should be well represented. Each minister should be at the assembly in the district in which he belongs.

We are thankful to say that we have all the churches supplied with pastors except the colored church at Gastonia.

Anyone desiring information concerning the work address,
W. A. Capshaw,
Gastonia, N. C.

Home Mission Receipts.

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Mt. Sinai, Miss.,	2 15
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Mrs. C. R. Bookout, Quinton, Ala.,	2 50
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Report From East Bank, W. Va.

Dear Evangel Family:

I am praising God for victory in my soul. Hallelujah to the Lamb! How I love Him! Glory! After about four weeks battle with the enemy God gave us the victory and a good number have been saved and sanctified. Four have received the Holy Ghost. Some have been healed.

On April 4, we set the church in order with twelve members. There are others to follow soon. The meeting is still going on. We don't know what will take place before it closes. The enemy is certainly mad. The little town of East Bank is stirred as never before. The council met recently to try to stop the meeting; one of the merchants closed his store and went down to see that they didn't do it.

I ask your prayers.
Your brother in Christ,
W. M. Rumler.

Richmond Dale, Ohio.

Dear Evangel:

I praise the Lord for victory in my soul. The Holy Ghost abides.

I am so glad the Lord sent Brother and Sister Haynes to our town. They surely were a blessing to us.

The Lord has been so good to me. Praise His name! I am so glad I ever learned to trust Him for my body.

About one year ago the doctors gave me up to die. They said there was no help for me, but that they would try. But I continued to grow worse until I was almost gone. I kept begging for the saints to come and finally consent was given to telephone to them at Chillicothe, a distance of twelve miles. So they came and the Lord raised me up, though I had been sick for five weeks suffering with hemorrhages, and could not stand alone. I owe my life to God and His saints. Oh, I praise Him for His healing power! It is wonderful what the Lord can do for us if we will only let Him. Glory to His name!

Your humble sister,
Mrs. Jasper Wills.

Dales, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am glad to say that we are still on victory side shouting praises unto our God.

We will begin a meeting here Wednesday night, D. V. There are no holiness people here, but we are praying that the Lord will show people that this is the Bible way.

I have been appointed overseer of the Tifton district which includes the following counties: Tift, Turner, Duain, Berrien and Caecuit. We will work some in Worth County.

Anyone in these counties desiring services there don't fail to write us.

We welcome any of our people to pitch their tents in the Tifton district and help us win souls for our Lord. Surely the harvest is white and the laborers are few. We earnestly ask an interest in your prayers.

Your brother in Christ,
B. A. Reynolds,
Finleyson, Ga.
WANTED—the address of Brother John Delong.
W. A. Capshaw,
Gastonia, N. C.

Brooksville, Fla.

Dear Evangel Readers:

I praise the Lord for real old-time religion. I am glad to report victory through the precious blood of Jesus.

I praise God for letting me live to see these last days when I can have a real heart-felt experience. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost.

I mean to go through and live for God. I want Him to get glory out of my life. I want to keep my lamp trimmed and burning until Jesus comes, that I may be able to meet Him in perfect peace.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. J. B. Peterson.

Williston, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise to God for what He did for me. Bless His dear name! He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His precious name! I want to go all the way with Jesus.

I thank God for bringing me out of darkness into this marvelous light, into the way of holiness.

I want to be a soul winner for God. I desire your prayers that I may be in His blessed will at all times.

Your unworthy sister,
Lizzie Baldree.

Asleep in Jesus.

On March 31, 1918, the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Canady of Kimberly, Ala., and claimed the spirit of little Delma, their baby child.

The child was prayed for many times, but our Father who doeth all things well called it home to live with Him.

The parents trusted the Lord until death and were resigned to the will of God.

A sister.

Request For Prayer.

Dear Saints of God:

I desire one special prayer of every one that I may receive the Holy Ghost. I know this is the way to heaven.

I am a church member and have been for many years. But it seems that if one dresses to the height of fashion their religion makes them love you and if not they care little for you.

I thank God because I have heard of the way of holiness. How would we know there is a God if it were not for the Bible? And if He didn't intend for us to do what the Bible says, what did He have it written for?

When my husband first found Jesus I was very angry and pouted around; I didn't want to hear him read the Bible and would sometimes walk away. I told him that I cared no more for my home. But thank God, this did not cause him to go back into the world. He read and talked to me until I found out I was in the wrong.

I am so glad I've lived to see the light of the gospel, and I desire one special prayer that I may be made as pure and holy as my husband. God has for given me for the way I did when he found the Lord.

E. E. B.

Ooltewah, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am still praising God for salvation. I can't do enough for my Savior. Bless His good name!

I have had some very hard trials, have been cursed and threatened, etc., but Jesus said our names would be cast out as evil for the Son of man's sake and for us to be glad when they separated us from their company. Glory to His name forever! I feel the fire burning in my heart.

I want the saints to pray that I shall always be faithful and humble.

Your little brother,
Elmer Battis.

Beury, W. Va.

Dear Evangel Readers:

I feel more like going through with Jesus than ever before. The Lord has done wonderful things for us.

Our baby was at the point of death last night, but in answer to prayer the Lord rebuked the disease and the little one is perfectly well. Praise His name! Hallelujah!

By the help of the Lord I am going all the way with Jesus. The Holy Ghost still abides and I speak in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

Oh, how we need a Church of God minister here at Beury. If one will come we will take care of him the best we can.

Your sister in Christ,
Ella May Tucker.

Kimberly, Ala.

To The Church of God Evangel:

I would like to have some colored minister of the Church of God to come to Kimberly, Ala., and hold a meeting. If you know of any one please give me his name and address that I may write to him. And I ask that you please use your influence in getting him to come, as I can't be among the white saints here and my heart is longing for the whole truth.

I have seen more on the three-foldness of salvation after reading the pamphlets you sent me some time ago.

I would give anything to have some one to come.

Peter Williams,
Kimberly, Ala.

Gone To Be With Jesus.

Sister Lulu Cook of Cliffview, Va., went to her long home March 27, 1918, after an illness of about two months.

She was very patient during her sickness and often told her husband that if she died suddenly that he should not fear but that she was going to that place where parting will never be and that he should get closer to his Master and to come where she was going.

At times she would praise the Lord and talk in tongues.

Just before she died, she called her brother, mother and husband to her side and told them that she was going over yonder and for them to meet her.

She raised her hands toward heaven and gave God the glory to the last.

She leaves a husband and two small children to mourn her loss.

She was a member of the Church of God at this place.

Friendship, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I'm praising God for knocking at the door of my heart when I was deep in sin, and for the deep conviction that seized me. I am so glad that He removed the pride from me and made me humble enough to get down and confess out to God.

I praise the Lord for the precious blood of Jesus that was shed on the cross, for I know it has been applied to my heart. I'm so glad I am not serving the devil as I was two years ago. I once enjoyed going to dances, pic-nics, shows, etc., but now my heart's desire is to be in service for God. I care no more for the pleasures of this world.

The first Sunday in March two years ago, my husband and I went down to Friendship for no other purpose than to see and to be seen. The dear Lord sent us there but we did not realize it. Brother M. S. Haynes preached that day and it seemed that he could hardly do anything but cry. When the altar call was given I found my veil was wet with tears. I hardly knew what to do. I didn't want my husband to see me crying as he was an unbeliever. But in spite of my efforts to hide my tears everybody in the house saw me.

I didn't go to the altar that day but we continued to attend

the meeting and finally my husband consented for me to go to the altar. After pleading and agonizing with God for some time He spoke peace to my soul. Praise God! It just seemed that I felt the load of sin being lifted from my heart.

It was not long until my husband followed. I praise God because we are both in the way.

I want the saints to pray for my people. I am the only one of a family of eight children and an aged father and mother who is in this way. Dear friends, it grieves my heart to think about father, mother, brothers and sisters spending eternity in an endless hell.

Please pray for all of us.

Your sister in Christ,
Evelyn Rowe.

Danville, Va.

Dear Evangel Family:

In Jesus' name I came to this city, rented a hall and began a meeting March 16, to continue one month.

Many are being stirred. Some are at the altar and some are calling for higher experiences and for the Church of God. I know the Lord wants a Church of God here.

I prepared for this battle by having a big banner, six-feet long, four feet wide, printed on both sides with, "The Church of God Revival," giving time and place. With this banner and ringing a bell, I walked over the streets where people were going in every direction. Then I would go to the factories nights and mornings with the banner. I ordered tracts, books and song books to the amount of \$22.00.

Beloved, it costs something to run a revival. The hall is a nice place; it costs \$25.00 per month. This is God's money and I am God's servant. I am very careful where I put the Lord's money. When I have spent all the Lord's money in the right place and in the right way, He will have some more for me to spend for Him somewhere; and when I have spent my life for Him and gone on to my reward He will have somebody else raised up to spend some more money and life for Him.

Jesus said: "Except a man forsake all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." Beloved, how much have we forsaken? one half? two thirds? or all? Jesus said to forsake ALL.

Tithes, offerings, sacrifice and obedience all go to help spread the gospel of the kingdom. We surely will have to pay the right price to win the prize at the end of the race.

Beloved, pray for me.

An humble follower of Jesus,
E. D. Hopkins.

Valdosta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I want to praise God through the Evangel for His manifold blessings to me. Bless His name! I thank Him for giving me victory over sin, the flesh and the devil. I am saved, sanctified wholly and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire. The fire is burning deep down in my heart. Glory!

I thank God for the power in the blood that will keep the soul pure and clean and heal the body when sick.

The Lord gave us a wonderful meeting Sunday. Two prayed through to conversion and are seeking sanctification and the baptism with the Holy Ghost. They wanted to come into the Church of God and we welcomed them in with joy.

Sunday night we observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet. The Lord was with us.

A sister who is not a member of the church was with us and was wonderfully healed. Before prayer she could hardly walk, but when the Lord healed her she shouted and danced and

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Your brother,
Wm. Hudson.

THE FIGHT IS ON.

W. O. ANDERSON.

When we hear men wilfully ignoring the holy commandments of the Lord and declaring that holy baptism was only intended for the Jews, that observing the holy sacrament is not required of the children of God in these days, that washing the saints' feet is only practiced by the weak-minded and fanatics; and thus fleeing the Immaculate Lamb of every visible ordinance that He has left for His true children to remember His example, to follow in His steps and remember His suffering in having His body broken and His blood shed, we are brought face to face with the Scripture—"Many false prophets shall arise and shall deceive many." "As Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses so do these also resist the truth; men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith." 2 Tim. 3:8. These seducers are to wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 2 Tim. 3:13.

These false teachers will cause some of our own kinfolks to betray us and turn away from us. Luke 21:12-16. These false prophets are to deceive, if possible, the very elect even calling fire down from heaven to test their faith in what they teach.

We are expecting the devil to do great things before the return of the Jews to their native land as he did before the exodus from Egypt.

Not only are these false teachers cutting out all the sacred ordinances of the Lord Jesus, but they are denying the existence of a literal visible Church of God in the world and are denouncing us—the Pentecostal Church of God—as deceivers of the people, guilty with all visible sects of dividing the people into all kinds of creeds, sects and isms.

They say that the "jabbering" of our people is from hell and is of the devil; and many are believing them as they are deceived and deceiving others. They have the form of godliness but are denying the power to perform miracles as our people do.

I have been challenged to meet them in joint discussion on these questions, and I am rubbing my gun and getting a sufficient supply of ammunition on hands that I may be able to meet the enemies to the Word of God any where.

The fight is on! The Lord

gave me power to hold up the hands of His servant while He poured the hot shot of truth into two of the greatest enemies the Church of God (and I can safely say the Kingdom of God) also ever had in this country.

The fight is on. Skirmishing has already begun and we are expecting a strong drive soon, but our minds are being planted and all will come to light when the Lord touches the button. We have some minor officers who are mustering the forces to meet the enemy during the next two weeks and then according to his promise we are looking for General Lee, one of the commanding officers of the Church of God, to take charge of Gideon's band who are panting for the battle and are willing to lap the water as they go across the stream for the battle.

In the year 1912, I purchased a one thousand mile ticket to go out in search of the Church of God. After I had met and worshiped with four different bodies, all claiming to be the Church of God, I went to Cleveland, Tenn., and found a body that believes that the gifts and powers that were given to the people on the day of Pentecost were to be handed down to all that should believe to the end of the world.

I am studying spiritual military tactics under Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Peter, Philip and Paul; and I am not fearing men who can kill the body, but I will fear Him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Mat. 10:28.

We stand for the Church of God because she is the most spiritual body we have ever met. We stand for her because she claims all the gifts of the Spirit found in 1 Cor. 12. We stand for her because her leaders claim that there are still other things to see, understand and enjoy. We stand for her because her leaders believe that the Church of God as well as the man of God is to be made perfect by believing and obeying all the Word.

Andros Island, Bahamas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

We are glad we can say we still have victory.

We have just closed a meeting at Old Bite, Cat Island. The Lord certainly did bless us. Four received a definite experience.

I am living in a very wicked town; every man, woman and child are against holiness. They have a form of godliness but deny the power. We need your prayers.

I am leaving for another field. The harvest is white and the laborers few. The Lord needs laborers.

Your brother,
Oscar L. Ceruti.

Rock Island, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising the Lord for the privilege of being in the blessed way of holiness.

About thirty-six years ago the Lord saved me. I lived the best I knew how. About five years ago I saw the light on sanctification, I walked in it and the Lord wonderfully sanctified me with His precious blood.

The way continued to grow brighter and sweeter, yet my heart kept hungering for something more from God. Three years ago the precious Comforter—the Holy Ghost—came into my life and when He came He spoke in other tongues. Praise the name of Jesus!

I want to do God's will in all things. I desire the prayers of God's children that I shall ever live true to Him and be ready when Jesus comes or calls.

Your sister in Christ,
Nannie Hale.

St. Thomas, Virgin Island.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Family—Greeting in Jesus' Name:

I am still praising God for His protecting care of me daily. I praise Him for the way He has kept me in the fold during the years since I found Him. He has ever been true to me. He has not only saved me but He has sanctified me, praise His precious name! He is also my healer, thank God!

I want to report to you of our little band in Saint Thomas, how the Lord God of heaven is blessing us here and is giving us souls for our hire.

We have organized a Sunday school and the interest is increasing.

We had some wonderful times here in our revival meeting during the month of June. Souls were indeed blessed and we felt the power of the Spirit in our midst. Our dear Sister Norman, Sister Heyman, Brother and Sister George and your humble servant gave out the messages. We believe that people were convinced.

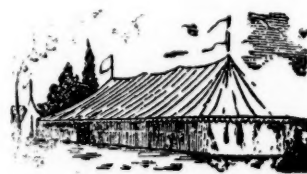
Please pray for us that the Lord will bless us and that His work will prosper.

It pleased the Lord to call home from among us our dear superintendent, Elder Joseph, who came from Barbados in October to inspect this work and to put it in order as he was passing on his way to Cleveland, Tenn. It pleased the Lord best to take him, and we know our loss is heaven's gain. We expect to meet him again around the throne.

In his last hours he exhorted us to keep true to God. Truly it blessed our hearts.

With love and a desire for yours prayers, I close.

Your brother,
Ohas. Daily.



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